

Two Hundred Thousand Dollar Libel Suit Against K. K. K. By Miss Meyer Tried Monday in Houston Dist. Court

The United Press:

Houston, Texas, Oct. 31.—The \$200,000 libel suit brought against the Invisible Empire, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan, by Miss Nelda Meyer, 21, of Needville, Texas, near here last February, went to trial in district court here Monday.

Attorneys for both sides are said to have their cases prepared and the suit will go off without delay, it is said.

Colonel William Joseph Simmons, Imperial Wizard of the Klan, with headquarters in Atlanta, Georgia, and George B. Kimbro, Jr., former Grand Goblin of the Klan in Texas, are named in the suit.

Kimbro was recently ousted from the office of Grand Goblin, on charges of mismanagement of Klan funds. He denied the charges and stated that he was holding the funds in escrow, until he had an accounting for more than \$10,000 of his personal funds spent, he says, in organizing the Klan in the Mississippi Valley.

Possibility that Simmons may attend the trial is seen by lawyers in view of the fact that he is personally mentioned in the suit. Kimbro's home is in Houston.

The suit is based on a notice alleged to have been sent Miss Meyer by the Ku Klux Klan, threatening her, and which she says damaged her reputation to the extent of \$200,000.

The letter was written on alleged official stationery of the Klan and bears the seal "Richmond Klan No. 38, Realm of Texas, Knights of the Ku Klux Klan." It reads as follows:

"Miss Meyer:

"You will cease all intercourse, both personal and of business nature with Leo Robinowitz. This also applies to your so-called society stunts and Houston. We see everything and warn but once.—K. K. K."

Miss Meyer was employed as book keeper by Robinowitz in his store at Needville.

She charges that she was both shamed and humiliated by the alleged act of the Klan and that her reputation was damaged by the threat. In her suit against the Klan she denied the insinuations in the letter.

The general counsel for the Klan in Atlanta, in answer to the suit claimed "the plaintiff's petition is insufficient in law and states no cause of action." It also denies all allegations and demands strict proof of the charges.

The sending of such notices, the Klan counsel asserts, is "wholly contrary to the purpose for which the

defendant is organized and is in violation of its charter, constitution, rituals, by-laws, proclamations, edicts, and orders."

NO DELIVERY OF WEDNESDAY'S PAPER ON MONDAY

"Wonder what they think we are anyway?"

That's the question at the Avalanche office, as early Monday morning an irate subscriber telephoned this office and demanded that we get a hustle on about the paper and had not received a copy yet, and was getting tired of waiting and would appreciate a little newspaper service.

Of course it took some time to explain to the dear lady that the first paper would not be printed until Wednesday, and that though it is the desire of every member of the force to be of whatsoever service to the readers that is at all humanly possible, it was doubtful as to whether it would be practical to deliver the Wednesday's paper on Monday morning, and after assuring her that the paper would be delivered before breakfast on Wednesday, and that we could keep her home supplied with copies of the last issue until that date, an agreement was made, and now it's up to the delivery boy to keep it made.

The Morning Avalanche force is here to serve, and real newspaper service will be given everyone concerned, but we here and now draw a line on promising to deliver a Wednesday paper on Monday morning.

LAST SURVIVOR OF ARISTOCRATIC FRENCH FAMILY DIES

The United Press:

Brownsville, Texas, Oct. 31.—The last survivor of an aristocratic French family whose ranks were decimated almost to the point of extinction during the Reign of Terror, Sister Mary Stanislaus, born Eugenie Dedieu, died here recently. The aged nun was born in Belmont, France, in 1833, and had been in a Brownsville convent since 1855.

It is recalled by local historians that at the time of the action blockade of Point Isabel harbor during the Civil War, Sister Stanislaus performed a noble service for the school children of Brownsville by causing to be compiled and printed here text books to substitute for the ones cut off from entry by the blockade.

Among the out of town visitors to Lubbock Saturday was T. E. Bowers, business man of Ralls.

BOY SENT TO JAIL IS NOW STUDYING LAW

The United Press:

Dallas, Oct. 31.—Denied the opportunity of going to school when a boy, W. S. Scribner, confessed robber of the Jackson Street Post Office, has borrowed law books and is spending long hours in the Federal ward of the county jail in mastering the technicalities of the profession which administers justice.

Scribner admitted complicity in the post office robbery on January 14, 1921, and furnished information which resulted in the arrest and conviction of three men, besides giving the names of three other alleged bandits.

Escape Mexican Convict Recaptured by Local Officer

Manuel Martinez, Mexican, who escaped from the State penitentiary at Huntsville, Texas, on March 5, 1919, was captured in Lubbock Monday of last week by John McCulloch, local officer.

McCulloch had been working on the case for several days, and through the assistance of officers at the penitentiary secured description of the Mexican in time to capture him before he knew he was being watched here.

Martinez was convicted at Sonora, Texas, for burglarizing a store there and had not been in the penitentiary but a few weeks until he escaped, but was out only a short time when he was captured and returned. On the morning of March 5, 1919, he made what was believed to be the most complete getaway of any that has been made since the institution was founded, and since that time no clue of his whereabouts has been made clear enough to merit a search, and it does credit to the detecting abilities of the local officer to capture the convict.

Lubbock is a fine place to come if a fellow's past is clear enough, but to the shadowy characters we believe that "to come to Lubbock" is absolute tragedy, at least it looks as though the local peace officers are going to do their level best to make it so.

Jed Rix, manager of the local branch of the Rix Company, went to Big Spring Saturday, returning Tuesday. He visited his parents and other relatives there.

Judge Geo. B. Bean, attended the Court of Civil Appeals at Amarillo last week. He was accompanied on the trip by Mrs. Bean.

Some Prisoners Are Better Off in Prison Than Out Says Gov.

The United Press:

Austin, Oct. 31.—Better off in prison than out, is the condition of many inmates of the Texas penitentiary.

This condition has prevented Governor Neff, it is understood, from pardoning a number of prisoners. It is true especially in the case of very old or infirmed prisoners who would be unable to make a living if cast upon their own resources.

In some cases the younger sons of convicts have refused to lend aid if a pardon were granted their fathers.

In the prison, his only home, the aged convict finds clothing, food and shelter—outside he would be only a public charge—ragged, unkempt, hungry—begging for what he might get and always tempted to return to the unlawful pursuits he engaged in before going to prison.

The Governor indicated his willingness to issue pardons to several of these unfortunates, but the "folks at home" refused to care for them and they preferred to stay as they are.

W. D. T. Storey, of Brownfield, was here Saturday to witness the football game between Lubbock and Floydada.

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TRI-COUNTY FAIR TO BE ORGANIZED AT STAMFORD

Special to Avalanche:

Stamford, Oct. 31.—Organization of a Tri-County Fair to be held annually in this city is being agitated. Stamford has five railroads radiating in as many directions and is situated in the wealthiest cotton county in West Texas. These are some of the advantages in favor of the staging of an annual exposition. An annual rodeo held here has always attracted immense crowds. An agricultural fair, livestock exposition and rodeo combined would probably be features of the proposed fair.

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Remember—You have a perfectly fresh stock of merchandise to choose from—no old stock or shelf worn goods—we have been here only four weeks and we have an entire fresh stock of goods.—If you are looking after your own interests and believe that a dollar saved is a dollar earned, you will not miss this great opportunity to save money.—The people of Lubbock County have never before had as great an opportunity to buy at such prices as we will offer during this sale—and do not overlook this fact—every article in this store is seasonable and new.—Below is a partial list of the many bargains we have to offer. They are too numerous to mention them all.

Watch for our further advertisement in this paper Friday, Nov. 3

THIS SALE STARTS SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4th.—IT WILL PAY YOU TO WAIT! Some of the items that will be on sale are: Shoes for Men, Women and Children, Justin and Kirkendall Boots for Men, Men's Suits and Overcoats, Boy's Suits, Ladies Dresses, Coats, Suits and Waists, Underwear, Sweaters, Men's Dress Pants, Work Shirts and Work Pants.

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